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Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a \_\_\_\_\_ continuation-in-part \_\_\_\_ continuation XXX divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(b), of pending prior application, Serial No. 10/290,616 filed on November 8, 2002 of Ann R. Fornof; Jeffrey C. Hedrick; Kang-Wook Lee; and Christy S. Tyberg for POROUS LOW-K DIELECTRIC INTERCONNECTS WITH IMPROVED ADHESION PRODUCED BY PARTIAL BURNOUT OF SURFACE POROGENS.

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- 1. \_\_\_ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_ is enclosed.
- 2. XXX The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$1,182.00 for the filing fee and any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account No. 50-0510.** A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.
- 3. XXX Cancel in this application original claim(s) 1 through 29 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee. (At least one original independent claim must be retained for filing purposes.)
- 4. A new oath or declaration, new formal drawings and an affidavit or declaration verifying it as a true copy is enclosed.
- 5. XXX Two (2) sheets of formal drawings (Figures 1A-4).

6. **XXX** Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: ---This is a continuation, XXX division, of application serial no.10/290,616, filed on November 8, 2002 ---. 7. **XXX** The prior application is assigned of record to: International Business Machines Corporation. 8. <u>XXX</u> Copy of Declaration and Power of Attorney filed in prior application. Information Disclosure Statement. 9. **XXX** The power of attorney in the prior application is to: Paul D. Greeley 10. XXX a. The power appears in the original papers in the prior application. Same b. Address all future communications to: PAUL D. GREELEY, ESO. OHLANDT, GREELEY, RUGGIERO & PERLE, L.L.P. ONE LANDMARK SQUARE, 10<sup>th</sup> FLOOR STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT 06901-2682 TELEPHONE: (203) 327-4500 TELEFAX: (203) 327-6401 A preliminary amendment is enclosed. (Claims added by this amendment have been properly numbered consecutively beginning with the number next following the highest numbered original claim in the prior application.) Priority of application U.S. Serial No. 10/290,616 filed on November 8, 2002 in 9. **XXX** is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §120; and U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/339,734, filed December 13, 2001 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119(e) I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior application serial 10. XXX No. 10/290,616 as originally filed on November 8, 2002. The undersigned declares further that all statements made herein of his own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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